

# DeCA offers savings in June

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Commissary patrons can extend their current savings on products this summer during a month-long promotion venture with the Young Men's Christian Association.

In June, the Defense Commissary Agency will sponsor a sales promotion at commissaries worldwide. DeCA is in its third year of sponsorship and sees success in the program threefold.

"Customers will probably see savings vary from 10 to 30 percent," said Dave Hayden, deputy commissary officer.

"I think it's a great program," said Patty Lepore, assistant special program coordina-

tor at DeCA headquarters in Fort Lee, Va. "There's a savings to the customer, money contributed goes to the YMCA, and there are significant sales increases for both DeCA and the manufacturer."

Promotion sponsors, including First Brands, Kellogg's and Mars, offer the lowest available price on their top selling products and make donations to the Armed Forces YMCA. Monies collected will be used 100 percent in the military community and proceeds are passed on to the Armed Services YMCA to fund various services for junior military members, the focus group for the organization's services.

"The coupons will be distributed in the store," Hayden said. "Based on the sales generated, the sponsoring companies will

donate the money to the YMCA on behalf of the military."

"(The Armed Forces YMCA) is different than the community YMCA," said YMCA assistant Susan Brown. "We provide social services in areas that have an identifiable need for a service not offered in a particular area. We do not duplicate; we supplement and compliment."

Brown said that child care, education and extra curricular activities are examples of programs available at 50 centers for members throughout the armed forces.

These programs and services are done without government subsidy and are offered at no or minimum cost to the member. (Story compiled from local and Air Force sources.)

## Promotions

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FS; **Evan Pitts**, 48th FW; **Stacey Ruel**, 451st Intelligence Squadron; **Jennifer Stone**, 48th Supply Squadron; and **Elizabeth Young**, 451st IS.

The following are June's enlisted promotions.

### To chief master sergeant

**Albert Johnson**, 48th SUPS; **Wesley Traver**, 48th Transportation Squadron; and **Jerry Wilson**, 493rd FS.

### To master sergeant

**Randolph Adams**, 493rd FS; **Erick Hays**, 48th Equipment Maintenance Squadron; **Sandra Neumann**, 48th MDSS; and **Brian Sveda**, 48th SUPS.

### To technical sergeant

**Ross Byrne**, 494th FS; **Lavorce Crane**, 48th SUPS; **Joseph Eichorn**, 48th SUPS; **Patricia Greene**, 48th Communications Squadron; **William Jones**, 48th SPS; **Stacy Pierpoint**, 48th SPS; **Hector Reyes**, 48th MDOS; and **Kenny Vaughan**, 48th MDSS.

### To staff sergeant

**Russell Aycock**, 493rd FS; **Michael Brann**, 48th SPS; **Derrick Ducharme**, 48th CES; **Clifton Jackson**, 494th FS; **Robert Maher**, 48th SUPS; **Christopher Parker**, 493rd FS; **Raymond Smith**, 48th SUPS; **Matthew Turnbaugh**, 48th

Component Repair Squadron; and **David Westfelt**, 48th FW.

### To senior airman, below-the-zone

**Jason Beaudoin**, 48th Mission Support Squadron; **Debbie Funderburke**, 48th SPS; **Chad Heilman**, 48th CRS; **Casey Lawhead**, 494th FS; **Derick Marshall**, 48th EMS; **Douglas McGraw**, 48th EMS; **Christopher Mouton**, 494th FS; **Zachary Royer**, 492nd FS; **Josean Santiagoflores**, 48th MDOS; and **Thomas Stanley**, 493rd FS.

### To senior airman

**Robert Aceves**, 48th SPS; **Steven Deyoe**, 48th EMS; **Mandy Ebert**, 48th EMS; **Brian Feldt**, 48th CS; **Marvin Gomez**, 494th FS; **John Maynard**, 48th TRANS; **Stephen Samard**, 492nd FS; **Troy Schmidgall**, 48th SPS; **Offie Sheard**, 493rd FS; **Scotty Stillman**, 48th CS; **Jerry Street**, 494th FS; and **Camalle Tobias**, 494th FS;

### To airman first class

**John Lepore**, 48th SPS; **Shakon McDuffie**, 48th EMS; **James Register**, 48th SUPS; **Eric Schall**, 494th FS; **Michael Sheridan**, 493rd FS; **Mark Sterrett**, 48th SUPS; **James Tuskes**, 48th CRS; and **Kristine Warfel**, 48th MDOS.

### To airman

**Sara Baron**, 48th CS; **Keshaun Major**, 48th SUPS; **Frederic Perkins**, 494th FS; and **Andrew Soulier**, 48th SUPS.



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### Painting your life away

**Steve Davill**, 48th Supply Squadron, touches up the paint job inside the Lakenheath Village Youth Center. More than 40 supply squadron members volunteered to help fix up the center, which provides various activities for community youth, including more than 350 American residents.